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1. FOLLOWING REMARKS WILL BE MADE BY USG REPRESENTATIVE
AT APRIL 23 DEPOSIT CEREMONY AND ISSUED SAME DAY AS
DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE.

QUOTE TODAY THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA DEPOSITED THE INSTRUMENT
OF RATIFICATION BY WHICH IT BECOMES A PARTY TO THE TREATY
ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THE UNITED
STATES WELCOMES THIS IMPORTANT ACT BY THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA
TO JOIN THE EIGHTY-FIVE COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE GIVEN CONCRETE
EXPRESSION TO THEIR DETERMINATION TO COMBAT THE DANGER OF
NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION BY BECOMING PARTIES TO THE NPT.

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KOREA IS ONE OF SEVERAL COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE COMPLETED
RATIFICATION OF THE NPT IN RECENT MONTHS. THESE DEVELOP-
MENTS ENHANCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TREATY WHICH, AS
SECRETARY KISSINGER SAID IN HIS ADDRESS TO THE UNITED

NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY LAST AUTUMN, DESERVES FULL AND

CONTINUING INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT. WE HOPE THE KOREAN
EXAMPLE WILL ENCOURAGE STILL OTHER COUNTRIES TO BECOME
NPT PARTIES, FOR WE BELIEVE THAT THE SECURITY OF THE
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND EACH OF ITS MEMBERS CAN BE
FURTHERED BY WIDER SUPPORT FOR THE TREATY. UNQUOTE

2. AT ITS REQUEST, WE HAVE PROVIDED ROK EMBASSY
WITH FOREGOING.

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